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In the Patent Application of :  
Matthew Todd Hupp :  
Serial No. 09/481,456 :  
Filed January 11, 2000 :  
U.S. Patent No. 6,394,299 :  
Iss. May 28, 2002 :  
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PETITION TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700  
UNDER 35 USC §256 and 37 CFR §1.324

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.324, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for Patents to correct the inventorship of the above-identified patent, by adding Michael Sean Farrell as a joint inventor. When originally filed, this application, without any deceptive intention on the part of the originally-named inventor, failed to name Michael Sean Farrell as a joint inventor.

In support of this Petition, Applicants have included herewith the following documents:

- 1) A Statement Under 37 CFR 1.324(b)(1) by Michael Sean Farrell establishing that the error occurred without deceptive intention on his part;
- 2) A Statement Under 37 CFR 1.324(b)(2) by Matthew Todd Hupp stating he agrees to the change of inventorship; and
- 3) A statement from the assignee under 37 CFR 1.324(b)(3) agreeing to the change in inventorship.

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The Office is hereby authorized to charge payment of the \$130.00 petition fee under 37 CFR 1.20(b), and any other necessary fees, to Deposit Account No. 16-2480. A duplicate copy of this petition is included for this purpose.

Applicants respectfully submit that these documents fully satisfy the requirements under 37 CFR 1.324. In light of these submissions, it is respectfully requested that the Commissioner permit correction of inventorship of the subject application by adding Michael Sean Farrell as a joint inventor.

Respectfully submitted,

By



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STATEMENT FROM NAMED INVENTOR AGREEING WITH CHANGE OF  
INVENTORSHIP UNDER 37 CFR §1.324(b)(2)

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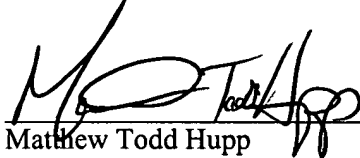
I, Matthew Todd Hupp, hereby declare that I have been employed by The Procter & Gamble Company from June 1998 to the present. I am a named inventor in the above-identified issued patent.

The invention described and claimed in U.S. Pat. No. 6,394,299, filed on January 11, 2000, was developed in part by me and in part by Michael Sean Farrell, both of whom collaborated during the conception of the invention disclosed and claimed in the above-identified patent.

At the time, I executed the above-identified application, believing that I was the only inventor to be included in the executed papers, without deceptive intent. I have subsequently been apprised that I was in error and that the contributions of Michael Sean Farrell relative to the invention disclosed and claimed in the patent are sufficient to render him a joint inventor.

Thus, I agree to the change of inventorship naming Michael Sean Farrell as co-inventor.

I hereby further declare that all statements made herein are of my own knowledge and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

  
Matthew Todd Hupp

10 / 14 / 2003  
Date

18 U.S.C. §1001 Statements or Entries Generally

Whoever, in any matter within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals, or covers up by any trick, scheme, or device a material fact, or makes any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations, or makes or uses any false writing or document knowing the same to contain any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or entry shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than five years, or both.

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
**CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

PATENT NO. : 6,394,299  
DATED : May 28, 2002  
INVENTOR(S) : Matthew Todd Hupp

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

On the front page of the patent, in Section 75, after "Inventor", insert -- Michael Sean Farrell, Terrace Park, OH, -- before "Matthew Todd Hupp, Sharonville, OH".

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**STATEMENT OF LACK OF DECEPTIVE INTENTION FROM ADDED INVENTOR  
UNDER 37 CFR §1.324(b)(1)**

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Dear Sir:

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I, Michael Sean Farrell, hereby declare that:

I have been employed by The Procter & Gamble Company from June 1999 to the present. I was not included in the above-identified invention due to error.

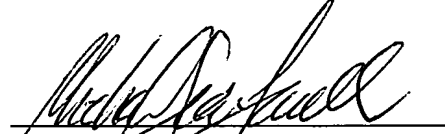
The invention described and claimed in U.S. Pat. No. 6,394,299, filed on January 11, 2000, was developed in part by Matthew Todd Hupp and in part by Michael Sean Farrell, both of whom collaborated during the conception of the invention disclosed and claimed in the above-identified patent.

At the time Matthew Todd Hupp executed the above-identified application, he believed that all of the inventors were included in the executed papers, without deceptive intent. Matthew Todd Hupp has subsequently been apprised that he was in error and that the contributions of Michael Sean Farrell relative to the invention disclosed and claimed in the patent were sufficient to render him a joint inventor, a conclusion in which Matthew Todd Hupp concurs.

The inventorship error occurred without deceptive intention on my part and was discovered when the omission of Michael Sean Farrell as a joint inventor was brought to the attention of the attorney handling the prosecution of the above-identified patent application. The error was discovered in August, 2003 after the filing of the subject application and issuance of the patent. Michael Sean

Farrell, Matthew Todd Hupp and their attorney have diligently attempted to correct the inventorship in this case.

I hereby further declare that all statements made herein are of my own knowledge and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

  
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Michael Sean Farrell  
  
10/28/03  
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Dear Sir:

The Applicants' assignee, The Procter & Gamble Company, consents to Applicants' Petition under 37 CFR 1.324 seeking addition of Michael Sean Farrell as a co-inventor on the above-identified patent.

Under separate cover, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.324, an Assignment declaring Assignee's ownership of the above-identified patent application was sent to the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The Assignment is recorded as is shown on the face of the patent. Assignee certifies that to the best of assignee's knowledge and belief, title resides in the assignee.

Respectfully submitted,

For: The Procter & Gamble Company

By

Larry L. Huston

Date:

11/17/03